

awareness of this growing problem in the general public. The School of Law is committed to human rights dedicated to training the next generation of human rights leaders and advocates through its LL.M. and J.S.D. Programs in Intercultural Human Rights, and through the direct services of the Human Rights Institute.

A three-week winter academy is proposed to be held annually on the STU campus. It will include lectures and training on practical issues (such as how to identify victims of human trafficking, how to collect data on human trafficking, how to diversify treatment of victims for different cultures, laws and relief services available, etc.) simulating different agency work governmental and non-governmental, with potential visits to pertinent agencies to gain hands on experience. The participants interested in receiving a certificate on human trafficking will sit for a final exam. In order to increase the community outreach goal of the program, a free lecture open to the public at large, will be offered that will focus on the local human trafficking problem. The last segment of the academy will be a mini-conference where local and/or national voices, and the best experts in the field will be featured.

Requested by Rep. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN
Bill number: H.R. 2487

Account: Department of Justice, Byrne Discretionary Grants

Amount: \$500,000

Project: City of Miami Beach Afterschool Gang and Drug Prevention Program

Requested by: City of Miami Beach. 1700 Convention Center Drive Miami Beach, FL 33139

The primary goal of the Teen Club is to prevent and reduce delinquent behavior and keep the community's at-risk youth in a positive environment to foster personal growth and encourage teens to become well-rounded individuals through the accumulation of new skills, awareness, and knowledge. Moreover, the program's aim is to promote health relationships that facilitate social skill development, decrease teen substance and alcohol abuse, and increase quality programming offerings that appeal to teenage youth. As a result, the participants involved in the Teen Club are less likely to entertain outside and detrimental participation in other unsupervised activities, including involvement in gangs and/or drugs. Current enrollment figures demonstrate more participants return for subsequent years in the program.

Requested by Rep. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN
Bill number: H.R. 2487

Account: Department of Justice, Juvenile Justice

Amount: \$500,000

Project: ARISE Life-Management Skills Intervention/Re-entry Program for High Risk Youth

Requested by: The ARISE Foundation. 824 US Hwy 1 North Palm Beach, FL 33408

ARISE serves approximately facilities in all 23 Florida congressional districts, including the Miami Dade Juvenile Detention Center in Miami. Over 156,618 hours of Life-Skills lessons have been taught at this facility. A recent study by Professor Mark A. Cohen, Vanderbilt University, December 2007, demonstrates why it is so important to target high-risk youth. Year by Year Costs Imposed by High Risk Offenders Cohen shows that the cost of one offender with at least six police contacts from

childhood to age 32 totals \$3,172,998 in 2007 dollars. In other words, saving one child saves taxpayers more than 3 million. By comparison, the ARISE program costs \$1.70 per hour per youth. Stopping the cycle of crime and gang violence by helping this population learn the skills necessary to succeed in life is an investment in our children and in our communities, with the potential to save millions of dollars tomorrow.

Requested by Rep. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN
Bill number: H.R. 2487

Account: Department of Justice, Juvenile Justice

Amount: \$200,000

Project: At-Risk Youth and Child Abuse Prevention Program

Requested by: Ohel Children's Home and Family Services. 4233 Sheridan Road Miami Beach, FL 33140.

This program engages at-risk youth in elementary and high schools to enhance their social and emotional functioning, as well as prevent and treat risky behaviors, including those that often lead to addictions and violence. The program includes school-based services, community education, and teacher training. The programs interact with student and include the use of role playing, small discussion groups, videos and modeling exercises that use current topics of discussion. Training is provided for teachers, guidance counselors and principals, and workshops for parents emphasize communication with children. Through community seminars, Ohel offers public forums for parents, educators, and community leaders on topics including self esteem, conflict resolution (bullying, anger management, etc.), relationship building (social skills training, peer pressure, etc.), and prevention of at-risk behaviors such as addictions, eating disorders, gambling and abuse. This program is a valuable use of taxpayer funds in that it prevents at-risk behaviors from spiraling into juvenile delinquency. In addition, the program assists children who are the victims of abuse or who are confronted with challenging circumstances in their lives so that these experiences do not lead to ongoing, destructive behavior. Further, the program benefits the federal government by putting at-risk kids back on a successful track and thus saving significant federal expenditures by keeping them out of the juvenile justice system.

RECOGNIZING ROBERT STEPHENSON, MICHIGAN TEACHER OF THE YEAR

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Madam Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to Robert Stephenson on his selection as Michigan's 2009–2010 Teacher of the Year.

Over his 15-year teaching career, Robert Stephenson has helped to inspire and enlighten students across Mid-Michigan. Stephenson, a third grade teacher at Wardcliff Elementary School in East Lansing, was selected from 20 regional finalists statewide. The award recognizes excellence in teaching and aims to provide teachers with the opportunity to interact with policymakers, provide a public

voice for educators, and focus public attention on the importance of teachers.

Using a hands-on approach, Stephenson's classroom activities engage students at a higher intellectual level. He is a role model to all his students and colleagues as he uses new and innovative teaching techniques to provide students a better learning experience.

Stephenson joins a unique class of teachers from Mid-Michigan. He is the fifth teacher from Mid-Michigan to receive this award in the last 29 years, and the fourth from Michigan's Eighth district in the last 10 years.

Madam Speaker, education is the cornerstone of our future and great teachers lay the foundation for our communities. I wish to extend my gratitude to Robert Stephenson for his many years of service to the students in Michigan. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Stephenson for his years of dedication to teaching and his recent selection as Michigan's Teacher of the Year.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN SULLIVAN

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

Mr. SULLIVAN. Madam Speaker, consistent with House Republican Earmark Standards, I am submitting the following earmark disclosure and certification information for one project authorization request that I made and which was included within the text of H.R. 2647—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010.

Project: High Density Power Conversion and Distribution Equipment

Project Amount: \$5 million

Account: Research and Development—Navy.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: L-3 Westwood Corporation

Address of Requesting Entity: 12402 East 60th Street Tulsa, OK 74146.

Description of Request: Navy power switchboard technology has remained essentially the same for nearly 50 years. This technology is passed largely on past Navy applications (with lower power needs) and commercial practices (which are less volume and weight sensitive). The Navy's power needs (e.g., sensors, weapons, house loads) have escalated and the newest power architecture designs have added additional concerns (e.g., higher frequencies), but the size and weight of the power distribution equipment are still limited. The inline switchboard technology simplifies the switchboard arrangement to greatly decrease size, weight, and lifecycle cost. In summary, this will provide the Navy with technology that will result in \$0.25M/per year per destroyer/cruiser in maintenance savings plus an additional \$1 million per ship in overhaul savings. Additional savings are estimated in size and weight at 50 tons per ship and a space savings of 1000 sq.ft. Fuel savings due to the decreased weight are anticipated to be significant given the cost of fuel.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DENNY REHBERG

OF MONTANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

Mr. REHBERG. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2997—Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Rep. DENNY REHBERG
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Rural cooperative development Grants

Name and Address: National Center for Appropriate Technology, 3040 Continental Dr., Butte, MT 59701

Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas (ATTRA) provides information, educational resources and technical assistance to farmers, ranchers, and agricultural information providers across the U.S., with a special focus on sustainable ag technologies, farm energy, and information on marketing and adding value to farm products.

Amount: \$2,582,000

Requesting Member: Rep. DENNY REHBERG
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Buildings and facilities

Name and Address: Montana State University—Bozeman, 202 Linfield Hall, Bozeman, MT 59717

The progressive evolution of animal and range sciences has generated increasingly complex opportunities for research, teaching and outreach. The Animal Biosciences Research Facility will use the bovine genome sequence to identify ways to improve economic and environmental sustainability in the production of safe, high quality and consistent beef products by: identifying genes and their function; developing tools to control disease; improving nutrient utilization, management and production efficiency; and enhancing the nutrient composition of a safe supply of beef for the consumers in the United States and abroad.

Amount: \$3,654,000

Requesting Member: Rep. DENNY REHBERG
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Science and Research Grant

Name and Address: Montana State University & National Barley Improvement Committee, 209 Plant Biosciences Building, Montana State University, Bozeman, MT 59717

This project addresses the critical need of growers in production agriculture to increase economic yield and on-farm income, enhance domestic and international market access, improve production technologies, and better compete with Canadian and European barley and barley value-added imports, and with Australia, Canada, and Europe in world export markets.

Amount: \$514,000

Requesting Member: Rep. DENNY REHBERG
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Science and Research Grants

Name and Address: Montana State University—Bozeman, 202 Linfield Hall, Bozeman, MT 59717

B. abortus is a communicable disease that has already affected Montana's livestock industry and will continue to pose future threats

until improved vaccines are developed. Montana must regain its Brucella-free status in order for the livestock industry to prosper. Furthermore, the presence of Brucella abortus in YNP poses a biosafety hazard to tourists that could impact the state's tourism industry, particularly, for southwestern Montana. Thus, efforts spearheaded by MSU are warranted, and the development of novel vaccines and study of livestock and bison immune responses will have a tremendously positive impact for Montana agriculture.

Amount: \$305,000

Requesting Member: Rep. DENNY REHBERG
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Science and Research Grants

Name and Address: Montana State University—Bozeman, 202 Linfield Hall, Bozeman, MT 59717

Improving beef quality depends upon: (1) assisting producers with selection and management techniques to produce cattle that fit customer expectations for marbling, red meat yield and weight, (2) developing a cattle ID system that facilitates data collection and information feedback and reduces reliance on hot-iron branding and (3) continuing to develop and apply technology to enhance the safety of beef. The Montana Beef Network addresses each of these areas. Montana's beef cattle industry generates approximately \$900M dollars in yearly income and accounts for approximately one-half of the state's total agricultural income. The stockgrowers of the state own approximately 1.6 million beef cows. It has been suggested that in the future, producer ability to market calves may require process verification of calves from birth until slaughter, so that vaccination history, breed, age and weight can be factored into subsequent management programs to guarantee food safety and ensure product quality and consistency.

Amount: \$682,000

Requesting Member: Rep. DENNY REHBERG
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: EPA—Salaries and expenses

Name and Address: The Montana Department of Livestock, PO Box 202001, Helena, MT 59620—2001

To conduct brucellosis prevention, surveillance, control and eradication activities in Montana and the Greater Yellowstone Area (GYA), and to develop and implement brucellosis herd unit management plans.

Amount: \$650,000

CONGRATULATING THE SOCORRO BULLDOGS BASEBALL TEAM

HON. SILVESTRE REYES

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

Mr. REYES. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Socorro High School baseball team for winning the 2009 Texas 5A State Baseball Championship. The Socorro High Bulldogs ended their championship season with an impressive record, becoming the second team in El Paso history to bring home the coveted state title.

The team was tested by fierce competitors from across the great State of Texas, one of the most competitive states in the entire nation for high school baseball. As the post-season

progressed, the Bulldogs fended off tough challengers and finished with an impressive 35–4 record.

On Saturday, June 13th, the Bulldogs had their toughest test this year when they faced the Lufkin Panthers in the state championship game at the Dell Diamond in Round Rock, Texas, and were down 2–0 in the game's early innings. The talented young men on the Socorro Bulldog team never wavered and forged an impressive come-from-behind victory.

I am extremely proud of the dedication, determination, sportsmanship, and discipline of this talented baseball team and their Coach Chris Forbes. The members of this championship team are to be commended for their drive and perseverance. The 2009 team members include: Tavi Amparan, Chuy Diaz, Cory Falvey, Roger Favela, Chris Guzman, Eric Herrera, Bobby Mares, Sergio Mendoza, Marcus Molina, Armando Muniz, Jessirey Navarrete, Aaron Olivas, Josh Rodriguez, Rene Rodriguez, Oscar Sandate, Ivan Sigala, Angel Soria, George Stoltz, and Luis Yanez.

Head Coach Chris Forbes and his great team of assistant coaches, Joe Alvarez, Adrian Garcia, Federico Contreras, and Herbert Reyes, were the masterminds behind the team's success. Coach Forbes, in particular, instilled a sense of hard work and discipline that kept the players motivated throughout the regular season and post-season. As part of his 25-year career in coaching, the former Austin High School baseball player has taken Socorro to 20 playoff appearances. Coach Forbes also boasts the most wins (576) of any varsity baseball coach in El Paso.

The Bulldogs' championship title energized El Paso sports fans, as over a thousand parents and members of the community made the long journey to Round Rock to cheer the team to victory. This team will forever be remembered for its historic victory that brought the State Championship Trophy to El Paso, 60 years after the storied Bowie Bears baseball team achieved the same feat in 1949. I am proud to join my constituents from the 16th District of Texas in commending the Socorro Bulldogs baseball team for a job well done.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2997, The Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 302 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$384,000 for the detailed investigation of the